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RE: U.S. Patent Application Entitled: METHOD OF REMOVING SIDEWALL SPACERS IN THE FABRICATION OF A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE USING AN IMPROVED REMOVAL PROCESS – Karsten Wieczorek, Manfred Horstmann and Rolf Stephan (2000.104200/DE0108)

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing are:

- (1) 22-page patent specification with 32 claims and an abstract (also Figures 1a-5 on 4 sheet);
- (2) Declaration;
- (3) Power of Attorney;
- (4) Assignment and Assignment Cover Sheet; and
- (5) Submission of Priority Document. Applicants hereby claim, through their attorney of record, priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119 and/or § 365 of German Patent Application No. 102 50 899.2, filed October 31, 2002.

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Independent Claims	2 - 3 = 0	x \$42 = \$	or $x $84 = 0.00
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